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***Response to Amendment***

The reply filed on 11/14/08 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant has provided a sequence listing but has not provided information for the sequences in Figures 1 and 4 as was indicated as needed in the Official Action mailed 5/14/08. Applicant asserts that these sequences are “secondary structures” and are not included in the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. The nucleic acid sequences of Figures 1 and 4 are linear sequences represented as secondary structures. The nucleic acid sequences in Figures 1 and 4 are not branched and are included in the requirements (see 37 CFR 1.821(a), for example). See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sean R. McGarry whose telephone number is (571) 272-0761. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th (6:00-4:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner’s supervisor, J. Douglas Schultz can be reached on (571) 272-0763. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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